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HISTORY OF THE COLLECTION GUIDANCE STAFF

AN OUTLINE

I. Introduction

A. CGS a late comer on the scene----less than three and one half years old.

B. Resulted largely from collection problems which developed during the 50's.

1. Proliferation of components levying requirements----costly, unable to coordinate effectively;

2. Inability to make best possible use of collection resources;

3. No effective means of collecting on a priority basis;

4. Duplicative collection requirements and reporting;

5. No effective means of evaluating reporting or collection systems.

C. Series of studies after 1960 to determine what should be done.

1. Joint Study Group Report of 1960;

2. A study of the CIA Requirements System, 1962;

3. A Proposed CIA Requirement Registry, 1962;

4. Others.

D. By 1962 it was generally felt that central management of some sort was needed but a wide range of opinion existed as to what should be done.

1. Description of views then extant.

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E. Interim organizations established to begin to centralize the management of requirements and collection.

1. CIA Requirements Committee created 4 May 1962;
2. Requirements Support Group organized 4 May 1962;
3. A Staff Requirements Coordinator appointed and a Requirements Registry created 10 May 1962;
4. Requirements Coordination Staff organized 21 January 1963 (DD/I Notice No. 50-100-31).

F. Creation of an ad hoc task group to develop a plan for establishing and operating one all-source DD/I Collection Guidance and Support Center.

1. Description of the basic philosophy which developed;
2. The evolution of an organizational structure.

G. The Creation of the Collection Guidance Staff.

Created 10 June 1963 (DD/I Notice No. 1-30-16).

II. Mission

- A. Initial mission as described in DD/I Notice No. 1-30-16.
- B. Changes in mission since 1963.

III. Organization

- A. Description of original organization.
- B. Changes in original organizational structure.
 1. Transfer of Operations Center;
 2. Transfer of SPINT;
 3. Support to CCPC added;
 4. [REDACTED]
 5. Programs Evaluations Group abolished.

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